

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5468

ANSWERED ON:30.04.2002

PRICE OF UREA

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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) referred the pricing of Urea to a Group of Ministers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Group of Ministers have made any recommendations in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Union Government have formulated the new pricing policy for urea;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) if not, the reasons, thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI S. B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) to (g) : Formulation of policy parameters/norms for VII and VIII Pricing Periods for urea units under the Retention Price-cum-Subsidy Scheme (RPS) for the period from 1.7.1997 to 31.3.2000 and from 1.4.2000 to 31.3.2003 or till a new Pricing Policy comes into existence, whichever is earlier, and formulation of new Pricing Policy for urea units in place of the existing RPS has been referred to Group of Ministers by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs. Proposals for the above said policies are under examination and would be announced after approval of the same by the competent authority.